HOUSE BILL 728

By Hensley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, relative to unauthorized practice of medicine.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-6-203, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(a)

- (1) Any person who practices medicine or surgery in this state without having first complied with this chapter commits a Class A misdemeanor for each instance of such practice.
- (2) Each time any person practices medicine or surgery without first obtaining a valid certificate or renewing a certificate constitutes a separate offense.
- (3) Any person filing or attempting to file, as the person's own, a diploma or license of another or a forged affidavit of identification commits a Class D felony.
- (b) All fines for offenses under this chapter shall be paid over to the board to constitute a part of the funds of the board to be paid into the state treasury.
- SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.